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SUBJECT: REQUIST FOR PERMANENT SITE

1. THE EMBASSY IS REQUESTED TO PREPARE AND PASS TO THE
MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS THE FOLLOWING DIPLOMATIC NOTE
WHICH WILL INITIATE OUR REQUEST FOR LAND ON WHICH TO BUILD
OUR PERMANENT DIPLOMATIC FACILITIES IN BEIJING.

2. STANDARD COMPLIMENTARY OPENING ... AND WAS THE HONOR
TO STATE THAT THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES WAS THE
FOLLOWING REQUIREMENTS FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF PERMANENT
DIPLOMATIC FACILITIES IN BEIJING:

3. AN AMBASSADOR'S RESIDENCE OF TWO STORIES WITH A SWIMMING POOL, TENNIS COURT, AND THE NECESSARY OUT STRUCTURES SUCH AS A GREENHOUSE AND GARAGE. THE GROSS FLOOR AREA OF THE RESIDENCE WOULD BE 20,000 SQUARE FEET - ABOUT 1.58 HECTARS.

4. A CHANCERY FOR NORMAL EMBASSY FUNCTIONS, INCLUDING CONSULAR ACTIVITIES AND THE INFORMATIONAL AND CULTURAL FUNCTIONS OF THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNICATIONS AGENCY. THE CHANCERY WOULD ALSO REQUIRE OUT-BUILDINGS FOR MAINTENANCE

SHOPS, WAREHOUSE, GUARDS' QUARTERS, PARKING AND A GARAGE. THE CHANCERY BUILDING WOULD PROBABLY BE FOUR STORIES IN HEIGHT, AND WOULD CONTAIN FROM 108,000 TO 115,000 GROSS SQUARE FEET (ROUGHLY 8,300 TO 11,600 SQUARE METERS).

5. A HOUSING COMPOUND OF 88 HOUSING UNITS, INCLUDING A LARGE SWIMMING POOL, TWO TO THREE TENNIS COURTS, A SOFT BALL PLAYING FIELD, A SCHOOL FOR 150 STUDENTS WITH A SMALL ADJOINING PLAYGROUND, A COMMUNITY BUILDING FOR THE RESIDENTS, AND THE NECESSARY PARKING.

6. THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES PROPOSES THAT THE ABOVE MENTIONED FACILITIES BE LOCATED AT TWO SITES IN CLOSE PROXIMITY TO EACH OTHER. THE SITE FOR THE AMBASSADOR'S RESIDENCE REQUIRES TWO ACRES 6, 000 SQUARE METERS). THE SECOND SITE, WHICH WOULD ACCOMMODATE THE CHANCERY AND HOUSING COMPOUND, REQUIRES TEN ACRES (40, 360 SQUARE METERS).

7. IN ORDER TO BEGIN THE DESIGN OF APPROPRIATE STRUCTURE FOR THESE SITES THE EMBASSY WOULD LIKE TO BEGIN DISCUSSIONS WITH THE GOVERNMENT OF THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA AS SOON AS POSSIBLE CONCERNING ACQUISITION OF THE NECESSARY PROPERTY.

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